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BY ECF

Honorable Laura Taylor Swain United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

MEMO ENDORSED

Re: Nunez, et al. v. City of New York et al., 11-cv-5845 (LTS)

Dear Chief Judge Swain:

Defendants, the City of New York ("City") and Department of Correction ("DOC" or "the Department") (collectively "defendants"), write in response to the Court's December 11, 2023 Order requiring the presence of former Commissioner, and current Assistant Deputy Mayor Louis Molina at the Status Conference scheduled for December 14, 2023. Dkt. No. 640. Defendants respectfully request that the Court allow Assistant Deputy Mayor Molina to appear at the conference remotely, either by video or telephonic means. Upon information and belief, Assistant Deputy Mayor Molina, will be outside of New York State on the date of the conference due to a prearranged family matter, with travel arranged prior to the Court's Order. He is available to appear remotely. Should the Court require, Defendants can provide documentation confirming this prearranged travel to the Court *ex parte*, via sealed filing in advance of the December 14, 2023 conference. Plaintiffs' class, S.D.N.Y., and the Monitor take no position on this request.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/
John Schemitsch

cc: BY ECF

All counsel of record

The foregoing request is granted. Assistant Deputy Mayor Molina will be permitted to attend the status conference by video. The Court will follow up with Mr. Schemitsch by email to coordinate Assistant Deputy Mayor Molina's remote attendance. DE no. 647 resolved. SO ORDERED.

12/13/2023

/s/ Laura Taylor Swain, Chief USDJ